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May 19, 2014

CALTRANS
Division of Local Assistance, MS 1
Attn: Office of Active Transportation and Special Programs
PO BOX 942874
Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

Dear Director:

Transmitted herewith, for your review and approval, are five copies of project application for funding assistance under Cycle One of the Active Transportation Program (ATP).

The City relies on Federal and State Highway funds to construct traffic safety improvements. Since STPL funds are allocated based on population, Westmorland receives a substantially small amount since our population is only 2,500. The funds received are not even enough to maintain 5% of the street pavement and infrastructure in the City.

The City of Westmorland respectfully requests Caltrans' favorable review of the above project application. Hopefully, you will agree with us that the importance of this project would warrant the project high up on your priority list. Your approval of this project would enable the City of Westmorland to fully complement the 5E's efforts for school traffic safety. Should you need additional information to complete the review of this project application, please feel free to call me directly at (714) 974-7863.

Very truly yours,

C. Hui Lai, P.E.

Director of Development Services

CC: Mayor Larry Ritchie, City of Westmorland

Nancy Johnson, Superintendent of Westmorland Union Elementary School District

Ben Hueso, State Senator Sally Traylor, City Clerk

Wayne Walker, Deputy Director



ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM CYCLE 1

APPLICATION Part 1 (Includes Sections I, V, VI, VII, VIII & XI)

Please read the Application Instructions at http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/index.html prior to filling out this application

roject name:	Improve Center Street Pedestrian Facility
	TAP STP RTP SRTS SRTS-NI SHA

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Project name: Improve Center Street Pedestrian Fac	cility	
(fill out all	of the fields below)	
APPLICANT (Agency name, address and zip code)	2. PROJECT FUNDING	e 985,000.00
CITY OF WESTMORLAND	ATP funds Requested	\$
3. APPLICANT CONTACT (Name, title, e-mail, phone #)	Matching Funds (If Applicable)	\$
. HUI LAI IRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES	Other Project funds	\$
AHL@MSN.COM 14-974-7863	TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$ 1,113,000.00
4. APPLICANT CONTACT (Address & zip code)	5. PROJECT COUNTY(II	
6. CALTRANS DISTRICT #- Click Drop down menu belov	v 7. Application # 1 of	1 (in order of agency priority)
Area Description:		
	SCAG Southern Californi	ia Association of Governn
drop down menu> 9. If "Other" was selected for #8-		
select your MPO or RTPA from the		
drop down menu>	The state of the s	
10. Urbanized Area (UZA) population (pop.)-	Dural (non or + 5 000)	
Select your UZA pop. from drop down menu>	Rural (pop = or $< 5,000$)	
Master Agreements (MAs): 11. Yes, the applicant has a FEDERAL MA with Caltra 12. Yes, the applicant has a STATE MA with Caltrans		
13. If the applicant does not have an MA. Do you meet the The Applicant MUST be able to enter into MAs with Control Partner Information:	he Master Agreement requireme Caltrans	ents? Yes No
14. Partner Name*:	15. Partner Type	
16. Contact Information (Name, phone # & e-mail)	17. Contact Address & z	zip code
Click here if the project has more than one partn	er; attach the remaining partner	information on a separate page
*If another entity agrees to assume responsibility for the the agreement must be submitted with the application, an Agreement between the parties must be submitted with the	nd a copy of the Memorandum o	nance of the facility, documentation of f Understanding or Interagency
Project Type: (Select only one)		
18. Infrastructure (IF) 19. Non-Infrastructu	re (NI) 20. Cor	mbined (IF & NI)

Project name: Improve Center Street Pedestrian Facility

I. GENERAL INFORMATION-continued

Sub-Project Type (Select all t	that apply)	
☐ Bicycle P	n in a Disadvantaged Community (select the lan Safe Routes to School Plan ansportation Plan	
(If applying for already has): Bike plan	an Active Transportation Plan- check any Pedestrian plan Safe Routes	of the following plans that your agency
22. Bicycle and/or Bicycle only: Ped/Other: Other:	Pedestrian infrastructure Class I Sidewalk Crossing Im	provement Class III Multi-use facility
23. Non-Infrastruc	ture (Non SRTS)	
24. Recreational 1	Trails*- Trail Acquis	sition
*Please see a	dditional Recreational Trails instruction	s before proceeding
25. Safe routes to	school- Infrastructure Non-Ir	frastructure
If SRTS is selected, provide the	following information	
26. SCHOOL NAME & ADDRESS:		
WESTMORLAND UNION ELEM	MENTARY SCHOOL	
27. SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME & ADDRE	ESS:	
200 S. C STREET, WESTMOR	LAND, CA 92281	
28. County-District-School Code (CDS)	29. Total Student Enrollment	30. Percentage of students eligible for
13-63206008650	383	free or reduced meal programs ** 88.00
31. Percentage of students that currently walk or bike to school	32. Approximate # of students living along school route proposed for improvement	Project distance from primary or middle school
43	192	1 MILE
Click here if the project involve	of Education website: http://www.cde es more than one school; attach the reservers to contact, if different, on a sepa	maining school information including

Project name: Improve Center Street Pedestrian Facility

V. PROJECT PROGRAMMING REQUEST

Applicant <u>must</u> complete a Project Programming Request (PPR) and attach it as part of this application. The PPR and can be found at http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/transprog/allocation/ppr new projects 9-12-13.xls

PPR Instructions can be found at http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/transprog/ocip/2012stip.htm

Notes:

- Fund No. 1 must represent ATP funding being requested for program years 2014/2015 and 2015/2016 only.
- Non-infrastructure project funding must be identified as Con and indicated as "Non-infrastructure" in the Notes box of the Proposed Cost and Proposed Funding tables.
- Match funds must be identified as such in the Proposed Funding tables.

Project name: Improve Center Street Pedestrian Facility

VI. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Only fill in those fields that are applicable to your project

FUNDING SUMMARY

ATP Funds being requested by Phase (to the nearest \$1000)	Amount	
PE Phase (includes PA&ED and PS&E)	\$	88
Right-of-Way Phase	\$	
Construction Phase-Infrastructure	\$	897
Construction Phase-Non-infrastructure	\$	
Total for ALL Phases	\$	985

All Non-ATP fund types on this project* (to the nearest \$1000)	Amount	
Local Matching Fund	\$	128
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	

^{*}Must indicate which funds are matching

Total Project Cost	\$	1,113
Project is Fully Funded	Yes	

ATP Work Specific Funding Breakdown (to the nearest \$1000)	Amount	
Request for funding a Plan	\$	
Request for Safe Routes to Schools Infrastructure work	\$ 98	
Request for Safe Routes to Schools Non-Infrastructure work	\$	
Request for other Non-Infrastructure work (non-SRTS)	\$	
Request for Recreational Trails work	\$	

ALLOCATION/AUTHORIZATION REQUESTS SCHEDULE

	Proposed Allocation Date	Proposed Authorization (E-76) Date	
PA&ED or E&P	09/01/2014	10/01/2014	
PS&E	09/01/2014	10/01/2014	
Right-of-Way			
Construction	02/01/2015	03/01/2015	

All project costs MUST be accounted for on this form, including elements of the overall project that will be, or have been funded by other sources.

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Project name: I'M PROVE CENTER STEET PEDESTRIAN FACILITY

VIII. APPLICATION SIG	BNATURES
Applicant: The undersigned affirms that the statements contain complete to the best of their knowledge.	ned in the application package are true and
Signature: All Mame: Sall May on Title:	Date: 3-15-14 Phone: 760-344-3411 e-mail: 1000+114415m & Roadramen.com
Local Agency Official (City Engineer or Public Works Direct contained in the application package are true and complete to the	or): The undersigned affirms that the statements are best of their knowledge.
Oft. Fai	Date: 5-15-2014
Signature: C. Hull LAI	Phone: 7/4-904-9863
Title: DIRECTOR OF DOVELOPMENT SERVICES	e-mail: SAHL @ INON. Com
School Official: The undersigned affirms that the school(s) berclosure list. Signature: Name: Name: Title: Supermendent (Poncyal)	Date: May 16, 2014 Phone: 760 0344-4364 # 2884 e-mail: h.johnson(2, wwed.org
Person to contact for questions: Name: Mona Smith Title: CBO / Facilities	Phone: 760-344-4364 #2386 e-mail: m. smith ewucd. org
Caltrans District Traffic Operations Office Approval* If the application's project proposes improvements on a freeway operations of the facility, it is required that the proposed improve operations office and either a letter of support or acknowledgem () or the signature of the traffic personnel be secured below.	ements be reviewed by the district traffic
Signature:	Date:
Name:	Phone:
Title:	e-mail:

*Contact the District Local Assistance Engineer (DLAE) for the project to get Caltrans Traffic Ops contact information. DLAE contact information can be found at http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/dlae.htm

VIII. ADDITIONAL APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS

Check all attachments included with this application.

X	Vicinity/Location Map- REQUIRED for all IF Projects North Arrow Label street names and highway route numbers
	Scale
\boxtimes	Photos and/or Video of Existing Location- REQUIRED for all IF Projects Minimum of one labeled color photo of the existing project location Minimum photo size 3 x 5 inches Optional video and/or time-lapse
X	Preliminary Plans- REQUIRED for Construction phase only Must include a north arrow Label the scale of the drawing Typical Cross sections where applicable with property or right-of-way lines Label street names, highway route numbers and easements
\boxtimes	Detailed Engineer's Estimate- REQUIRED for Construction phase only
	Documentation of the partnering maintenance agreement- Required with the application if an entity other than the applicant, is going to assume responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the facility
	Documentation of the partnering implementation agreement-Required with the application if an entity, other than the applicant, is going to implement the project.
	Letters of Support from Caltrans (Required for projects on the State Highway System(SHS))
	Digital copy of or an online link to an approved plan (bicycle, pedestrian, safe routes to school, active transportation, general, recreation, trails, city/county or regional master plan(s), technical studies, and/or environmental studies (with environmental commitment record or list of mitigation measures), if applicable. Include/highlight portions that are applicable to the proposed project.
X	Documentation of the public participation process (required)
X	Letter of Support from impacted school- when the school isn't the applicant or partner on the application (required)
X	Additional documentation, letters of support, etc (optional)



ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM CYCLE 1

APPLICATION
Part 2
(Includes Narrative Sections II, III & IV)

II. PROJECT INFORMATION

(Please read the "ATP instructions" document prior to attaching your responses to all of the questions in <u>Sections II. Project Information</u>, Section III. Screening Criteria and <u>Section IV</u>. Narrative <u>Questions</u> - 20 pages max)

1. Project Location

Center Street from Baughman Road to 7th Street and various spot locations of missing sidewalk.

2. Project Coordinates Latitude 33.0386974 Longitude -115.620879
(Decimal degrees) (Decimal degrees)

3. Project Description

The proposed project mitigates pedestrian and bicycle safety deficiencies, as follows:

- A. An objectionable standing water pool exists at the entrance of two alleys, between Bevelee Way and First Street, on S. Center Street (see Exhibit "A"). The sidewalk in the vicinity of the alley entrances is inundated by water, which poses a traffic safety obstacle for pedestrians. Pedestrians are forced to circumvent the ponding water by walking on the vehicle travel lane of the street. The project proposes to raise the differential grade elevation of the alley and sidewalk to eliminate the water ponding obstacle. A new concrete sidewalk will be constructed on the new grade.
- B. There is no street light on the entire length of Center Street. The project proposes to install street lights to attract evening pedestrian and bicyclist activities and enhance personal security. Energy saving L.E.D. street lights will be utilized to conserve electrical energy (see Exhibit "B").
- C. There is no curb/gutter and sidewalk on N. Center Street for the safety of pedestrians. The project proposes to install curb/gutter and sidewalk to remove the need for pedestrians and cyclists to walk and bicycle in traffic lanes (see Exhibits "B" & "J").
- D. The project proposes to install a median on N. Center Street to physically separate north and southbound traffic on the street (see Exhibit "J").

- E. Shade trees will be planted to provide aesthetic shade and lessen heat for pedestrians on the sidewalk during the summer in this desert area (see Exhibit "J").
- F. Complete gaps of missing sidewalk (see Exhibit "E")
- G. Install in-roadway lighted crosswalk on S.R. 86 at C Street and G Street to provide a safe walking/bicycling path to connect the communities on the north and south side of the state highway (see Exhibit "B").

4. Project Status

The project is categorically exempt. Upon project funding approval, the City will prepare a Preliminary Environmental Study Form to Caltrans for its review and certification. All the proposed improvements are within the City's right-of-way. A No Right-of-Way Form will be submitted to Caltrans for review and certification.

III. SCREENING CRITERIA

Demonstrated Needs of the Applicant Describe the need for the project and/or funding

Westmorland is a small sized city with a significantly disadvantaged community of lower-income residents. Its residents send their children to walk to school from all parts of the City. The City is 74% Latino with 85% of the households report that a language other than English is spoken at home. These families are most affected by poorly maintained or non-existent pedestrian friendly infrastructure.

The City public right-of-way in most areas is in poorly maintained condition, with many areas that could be considered hazardous from a pedestrian safety point of view. There is no street lighting for the entire length of Center Street. There are also no paved sidewalks on Center Street. The lack of sidewalk area on this street forces pedestrians to walk on the traveled roadway of the street pavement. Many intersections do not have handicapped ramps.

Being a small city of 2,500 residents, Westmorland Union Elementary School (kindergarten to 8th Grade) is the only school in the City. It has a total enrollment of 383 students. Approximately 146 children presently walk to and from school. The City is divided into north and south sectors by the State Highway 86. A substantial volume of students from the north sector are required to cross the heavily travelled four-lanes of State Highway 86 in order to reach their school, which is located in the south sector of town.

Both North and South Center Streets are major routes for children going to and from school. These streets carry a traffic volume of 3,742 vehicles per day. However, this is deceiving because of the mixture of auto and truck traffic that uses that street. Heavy large semi-trucks constitute 34.2% of the total daily traffic volume. Based on a ratio of 3 passenger vehicle lengths to 1 semi-truck, this translates to a passenger vehicle equivalency of 11,226 vehicles per day. The truck traffic on Center Street is a severe nuisance and a constant source of complaint from local residents.

Speed surveys indicate that motorists drive consistently 40% to 50% faster than the posted speed limit on Center Street. These speed surveys prove the need to slow down traffic speeding. Lastly, there are no bikeways in the entire City to safely accommodate students riding bicycles to and from school.

Consistency with Regional Transportation Plan (100 words or less) Explain how this project is consistent with your Regional Transportation Plan (if applicable). Include adoption date of the plan.

The vision, goals and policies of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy support the development of an infrastructure and environment that supports walking, reduces vehicle trips, and, most importantly, improves pedestrian safety. This is embodied with the addition of the RTP's Active Transportation Appendix which highlights on page 1 the goals:

- Goal 1: Increase dedicated funding for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure
- Goal 2: Increase accommodation and planning for bicyclists and pedestrians.
- Goal 3: Increase transportation options, particularly for trips less than three miles.
- Goal 4: Significantly decrease bicycle and pedestrian fatalities and injuries.

The improvements proposed in this application are consistent with the above goals in so much as the project will create and enhance pedestrian facilities along Center Street that will service key pedestrian trip generators in the city, and improve safety and connectivity along State Route 86. As emphasized on page 36 of *SCAG's RTP* "Safety and Security First", the proposed Center Street improvements will improve pedestrian safety and increase accommodations by:

- removing the need for pedestrians to walk into travel lanes to avoid ponding water on the sidewalk;
- installing street lights to attract evening pedestrian activity and enhance security;
- constructing curb and gutter as a form of protection from vehicles and to avoid previously mentioned drainage issues;
- median islands to separate and slow oncoming traffic and help foster a more pedestrian friendly environment; and
- eliminating gaps of missing sidewalk.

Pedestrian safety is also improved by installing in-roadway lighted crosswalks on State Route 86:

- at C Street to allow safe passage between the Westmorland Union Elementary School and the Westmorland City Park.
- at G Street to connect the communities on either side of the state highway.

Furthermore, on page 31 of the *Imperial County Long Range Transportation Plan 2013 Update* it states "The transportation system envisioned for the County is a balanced system,

incorporating the needs of all groups, as well as making provisions for many different modes of transportation...encouraging a range of transportation opportunities while reducing dependency upon automobiles." Therefore this proposed project is consistent and supported by Imperial County's and SCAG's transportation plans.

IV. NARRATIVE QUESTIONS

- 1. POTENTIAL FOR INCREASED WALKING AND BICYCLING, ESPECIALLY AMONG STUDENTS, INCLUDING THE IDENTIFICATION OF WALKING AND BICYCLING ROUTES TO AND FROM SCHOOLS, TRANSIT FACILITIES, COMMUNITY CENTERS, EMPLOYMENT CENTERS, AND OTHER DESTINATIONS; AND INCLUDING INCREASING AND IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY AND MOBILITY OF NON-MOTORIZED USERS. (0-30 POINTS)
 - A. Describe how your project encourages increased walking and bicycling, especially among students. The proposed project will significantly improve traffic safety conditions for children walking and bicycling to and from school on Center Street and on various spot locations throughout the City. Improving safety will also increase parent confidence in having their children walk and bike ride to school. Once the sidewalks, bikeways and street lights are improved and there is more visibility of painted pedestrian crosswalks for motorists, it is anticipated that more students will want to walk or bicycle to school.

Tabulated below are surveys conducted to determine how students come to the Westmorland Union Elementary School from Center Street:

Enrollment	Survey Date	Walk	% Walk	Bike	% Bike
383 students	September 2011	69	18%	5	1.3%
	April 2014	54	14%	0	0

The above table shows a decline in walking/bicycling to school from Center Street.

For pedestrians and cyclists, the improvements proposed by our project will create a more comfortable and pleasant walking/bicycling environment for children. Since students will

feel safer, they will be able to have a more pleasing and safe walk or bike ride to and from school.

The proposed project will provide comprehensive improvements that increase pedestrian safety for school children. Since 14% of the students presently walk to school here, it is vitally important to increase the safety for these children to attend school. We are confident that the project will increase the overall number of students who walk and bike ride to school.

The practice of walking and bicycling to school will be sustained through the on-going education program that will be initiated from the non-infrastructure Safe-Routes-to-School grant received by the City several years ago. The residents of the City greatly favor the positive benefits of physical health, personal safety, and cost economy, that will accrue from the improvements provided by the proposed project and the Safe-Routes-to-School programs. Parents will be thankful for the cost-savings that will accrue from not using their vehicles to transport their children to school. Children will enjoy the positive reinforcement and goodwill that comes from being recognized in their classroom for their involvement in the project.

The advertising and handout of materials provided by the City will be a continuing positive reinforcement that lends goodwill to the students that walk or ride their bicycle to school. Furthermore, with the continued positive advertisement and recognition coming from the project, there will be a rising of personal self-identity with the program. Parents and children will take personal pride in what they do in and for the City's program. With the proposed traffic safety improvements, it is anticipated that a 20% to 25% increase in walking/bicycling to school, community center, city park and public swimming pool facility.

Existing water ponding over the sidewalk area on S. Center Street at the two alleys between Beverlee Way and First Street is a safety obstacle for pedestrians. Pedestrians are forced to

walk on the street. Removal of this obstacle and the installation of street lighting will greatly improve the safety of pedestrians.

Improving the intersections of S.R. 86/C Street and S.R. 86/G Street with in-roadway lighted crosswalk will minimize potential pedestrian traffic acceidents and encourage pedestrian walking.

- B. Describe the number and type of possible users and their destinations, and the anticipated percentage increase in users upon completion of your project. Data collection methods should be described.
 Majority of the users are students who walk or bike ride to and from school. Other destinations possible for them from the improvements of the project are the City community center, and City Park with swimming pool (see Exhibit "H"). The adult pedestrians will use Center Street to reach the post office. Existing pedestrian volume counts were collected on 5-1-14 at the intersections of S.R. 86/S. Center Street and 2nd Street/S. Center Street. A total of 18 pedestrians were counted.
- C. Describe how this project improves walking and bicycling routes to and from, connects to, or is part of a school or school facility, transit facility, community center, employment center, state or national trail system, points of interest, and/or park.

There will be an estimated 20% to 25% increase in walking and biking, with the following proposed improvements:

- Removing the need for pedestrians to walk into travel lanes to avoid ponding water on the sidewalk;
- Installing street lights to attract evening pedestrian activity and enhance security;
- Constructing curb and gutter as a form of protection from vehicles and to avoid previously mentioned drainage issues;
- Median islands to separate and slow oncoming traffic and help foster a more pedestrian friendly environment; and
- Eliminating gaps of missing sidewalk.
- Installing in-roadway lighted crosswalks on S.R. 86 at C Street to allow safe passage between

- the Westmorland Union Elementary School and the Westmorland City Park.
- Installing in-roadway lighted crosswalks on S.R. 86 at G Street to connect the communities on either side of the state highway.
- D. Describe how this project increases and/or improves connectivity, removes a barrier to mobility and/or closes a gap in a non-motorized facility.

The project will eliminate the water ponding obstacle to the sidewalk at the two alleys, between Beverlee Way and First Street, on S. Center Street, install new sidewalk on N. Center Street and fill up missing gaps of existing sidewalk on various spot locations throughout the City. Parents will be more confident to allow their children to walk/bicycle on the new sidewalk instead of having them risk the hazard of walking on traveled roadway of the street. The improved crossings on S.R. 86 will connect the communities between the north side and south side of the state highway. Lastly, the street lighting improvements on Center Street will attract evening pedestrian activity and enhance personal security. Shade trees on the sidewalk will shield pedestrians from the summer desert heat which averages at 115 degrees.

- 2. POTENTIAL FOR REDUCING THE NUMBER AND/OR RATE OF PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLIST FATALITIES AND INJURIES, INCLUDING THE IDENTIFICATION OF SAFETY HAZARDS FOR PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLISTS. (0-25 POINTS)
 - A. Describe the potential of the project to reduce pedestrian and/or bicycle injuries or fatalities.

South Center Street has an unacceptable truck-related traffic accident history. The street experiences a rate of 4.8 accidents per million-vehicle-mile, which is three times higher than the county average rate of 1.5 accidents per million-vehicle-mile. In the Year 2002, an 11-year old pedestrian was killed by a truck as this person was cycling across Center Street. A total of 3 pedestrian accidents occurred on S.R. 86 at G Street. Exhibit "C" shows a listing of traffic accidents occurring on Center Street.

The goal of this project is to find practical, effective, and low cost, methods to enhance the routes to school and community center. The proposed traffic safety improvements will not only improve walking safety of children, but will also improve the safety of adult pedestrians.

To assure the success of this project, community involvement will be made a part of project implementation to make sure that the concerns of parents are fully addressed.

- B. Describe if/how your project will achieve any or all of the following:
 - Reduces speed or volume of motor vehicles
 - Improves sight distance and visibility
 - o Improves compliance with local traffic laws
 - o Eliminates behaviors that lead to collisions
 - o Addresses inadequate traffic control devices
 - Addresses inadequate bicycle facilities, crosswalks or sidewalks

This project will improve safety by eliminating or reducing many of the hazards associated with walking/bicycling. In doing so, these changes will enhance the perception of traffic safety and make walking/bicycling more appealing, make pedestrians and cyclists more visible to traffic and encourage parents to allow their children to walk/bike to school.

There is no curb/gutter and sidewalk on N. Center Street. Without sidewalk, school children tend to walk into the traffic lane area of the street and become dangerously close to moving vehicles because there is no distinction between walking area and the traffic lane. This project proposes to install sidewalk on both sides of the street. Also, a substantial number of existing school crosswalks do not have handicapped ramps for access into the new sidewalk area. The proposed project will provide the necessary ramps in the project area.

The project will also eliminate the water ponding hazard which makes the existing sidewalk inaccessible and cause7s pedestrians to walk on the traveled roadway of the street. The existing lack of street lighting can expose children and adult pedestrians alike to traffic accidents and criminal activities during dark hours.

C. Describe the location's history of events and the source(s) of data used (e.g. collision reports, community observation, surveys, audits) if data is not available include a description of safety hazard(s) and photos.

A total of 24 accidents occurred on Center Street for the period between 2002 and 2006. One fatal pedestrian accident occurred in 2002. A total of 50 traffic accidents occurred on S.R. 86 within the City of Westmorland. 4 pedestrian accidents were involved.

Exhibit "C" shows a history of traffic accidents occurring on Center Street and on S.R. 86.

Exhibit "D" shows the traffic conflicts between students and semi-trucks on S. Center Street.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION and PLANNING (0-15 POINTS)

A. Describe the community based public participation process that culminated in the project proposal or plan, such as noticed meetings/public hearings, consultation with stakeholders, etc.

The project team consists of the following key personnel:

Larry Ritchie – Mayor

Sally Traylor – City Clerk

C. Hui Lai - Director of Development Services/City Traffic Engineer

Wayne Walker - Deputy Director

Linda Morse - School Superintendent

Fred Beltran - Police Chief

The partnerships and coalitions that have an interest in improving the safety of pedestrian and bicycle routes include school, business, and civic organizations throughout the City.

Local PTA's, YMCA and the City's Police Department support this project. These organizations have dedicated their time and efforts to develop and improve the safety of streets for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists. The primary interest of these groups is to safe guard the young people of school age children who walk to school by teaching them how to avoid conflicts and get to school safely. Many joint events with these groups, as well as youth sports organizations, are held at the City. All of these groups will help with the traffic safety program, and will also provide feedback and suggestions to improve the

program. The City considers this project as a top priority in the City's School Traffic Safety Program.

The purpose of this project is to find practical, effective, and low cost methods, to enhance the routes to schools. The proposed project tasks are proven solutions that will work. The proposed traffic safety improvements will not only improve walking safety of children but also improve the walking safety of all other pedestrians in the area.

From the surveys taken at the Westmorland Union Elementary school, it is alarming to learn that more than 35% of the school children are regularly chauffeured to and from school by their parents. Chauffeuring parents are adding more cars on the streets and causing traffic congestion and hazard to children who are walking to school.

The proposed improvements will make streets safer for walking or bicycling school children and will provide the following anticipated benefits:

- Reduce or minimize potential pedestrians and bicycle accidents.
- Parents will gain higher trust in the street system and will be more inclined to allow their children to walk or bike to school.
- Traffic congestion will be reduced in and around schools with more children walking and bicycling to schools.
- Children will experience greater independence as well as learn valuable traffic safety skills.
- Physical activity such as walking or bicycling can positively affect school academic
 performance, promote good health, combat obesity in children and reduce traffic
 congestion during school attendance and dismissal periods. The cost-savings from
 not chauffeuring their children to school would conserve gallons of fuel which in turn
 reduces air pollution and dependency on foreign oil.

 A significant benefit of the project is the reduction of hazardous vehicle exhaust emissions from the reduction of vehicles used to transport children to and from school. Another benefit to the residents of the community is the reduction in insurance cost for motorists of the city from the reduction in accidents that will be directly attributable to the improvements provided by the project.

The proposed project will undoubtedly improve pedestrian traffic safety and gain parents confidence to let their children walk to school instead of chauffeuring them. The proposed sidewalk gap installations and ramp installations will benefit all other pedestrians who use the public right-of-way along the routes that children use to go to school.

B. Describe the local participation process that resulted in the identification and prioritization of the project:

Community involvement and input will be the centerpiece on the selection of improvements to be undertaken by the project. A meeting was held with the School Principal, Mayor, City Clerk, Police Chief, Director of Development Services, Deputy Director and the Safe-Routes-to-School coordinator in preparation of the 11-19-12 Saturday Honey Bee and Traffic Safety Expo. It was a full community event promoting pedestrian and bicycle safety. The event was published on the City's website and a banner was installed at the school. Flyers were sent home with all students. Students attending the event had a chance to receive a free bicycle helmet and win bicycles. To qualify for the prizes, they had to participate in a Bicycle Rodeo and walk in the Westmorland Traffic Safety Mock City for pedestrian safety education. Exhibit "K" shows various events of the Expo.

The success of the Helmet Decorating Contest was outstanding. Definitely the best turnout for the Honey Festival and the most creative decorated helmets the educational contractor has ever experienced. 72% of the elementary school students wanted to receive and decorated a new

helmet for the contest. A total 271 helmets were distributed. The City plans to post to the City website photos of the creative helmets so all can appreciate Westmorland's student imagination. The Traffic Safe CITY Model provides hands-on experience on how to cross intersections safely. The Safe-Routes-to-School maps accurately direct students where to walk and which intersections to cross. The crossing guard mentioned that after the Traffic Safety CITY education, the students are more willing to obey crossing guards' directions.

Neighborhoods or parent groups were gathered to discuss various traffic problems and solutions. The Helmet Decorating Contest causes parents to be aware that students do ride bicycles to school and to watch out for the riders with creative helmets. After the Helmet Contest, the bicycle riders to school increased from 2% to 4%, and all wearing helmets.

The following alternative improvement plans were considered and evaluated by the community stakeholders. The ultimate plan for pedestrian safety includes the employment of crossing guard personnel that are stationed at all points of crossing at streets for the maximum protection of children. The plan also includes the use of motorized shuttles and buses that would physically transport children to and from the public school. These safety measures would be costly and subject the City to enormous expenses. Such large projects would also place an enormous burden on the taxpaying public of this City.

Other options would have to include consideration for pedestrian bridges, pedestrian tunnels, electrically lighted information signals and signs to inform the motorists, specially placed speed bumps, and the employment of crossing guard personnel to be stationed at all points of crossing for the maximum protection of children who cross all streets.

All of these alternatives would be costly and subject the City to enormous expenses that would force it to ignore other more pressing traffic congestion and hazardous traffic

conditions. Such large projects would also place an enormous burden on the taxpaying public of this City. The proposed project plan is considered to have the most cost-effective mitigation measures to improve pedestrian/bicycle safety in the City.

C. Is the project cost over \$1 Million? Y/N Yes

4. COST EFFECTIVENESS (0-10 POINTS)

- A. Describe the alternatives that were considered. Discuss the relative costs and benefits of all the alternatives and explain why the nominated one was chosen.
 - The following pedestrian/bicycle improvement plans were considered and evaluated by the community stakeholders:
 - The ultimate plan for pedestrian safety includes the employment of crossing guard personnel that are stationed at all points of crossing at streets for the maximum protection of children who cross all streets in the City. Other plans also include the use of motorized shuttles/buses and chauffeuring parents that would physically transport children to and from the public school. Parents dropping off and picking up their children during school attendance and dismissal periods would add more cars on the streets and traffic congestion and hazards to children who are walking to and from school. The cost-savings from not chauffeuring or the use of shuttle buses would conserve fuel which in turn reduces air pollution and dependency on foreign oil.
 - Other costly options would have to include consideration for pedestrian bridges and pedestrian tunnels.

All of these alternatives would be costly and subject the City to enormous expenses that would force it to ignore other more pressing traffic congestion and hazardous traffic conditions. Such large projects would also place an enormous burden on the taxpaying public of this City. The proposed project is considered to

have the most cost-effective mitigation measures to improve pedestrian/bicyclist traffic safety and gain parent's confidence to let their children walk/bike to school. Physical activities such as walking or bicycling can positively affect school academic performance, promote good health, combat obesity in children and reduce traffic congestion on streets adjacent to the school.

Energy saving L.E.D. street lights will be used to conserve electrical energy and provide cost-savings to the City. Other benefits include reduction of greenhouse gas emission effect and lessen our nation's dependency on foreign oil.

B. Calculate the ratio of the benefits of the project relative to both the total project cost and funds requested (i.e., $\frac{Benefit*}{Total\ Project\ Cost}$ and $\frac{Benefit*}{Program\ Funds\ Requested}$).

$$\frac{\textit{Benefit*}}{\textit{Total Project Cost}} = 11.66 \text{ and } \frac{\textit{Benefit*}}{\textit{Program Funds Requested}} = 13.17$$

Detailed B/C Ratio Calculations are shown in Exhibit "I".

Benefits must directly relate to the goals of the Active Transportation Program.

5. IMPROVED PUBLIC HEALTH (0-10 points)

A. Describe how the project will improve public health, i.e. through the targeting of populations who have a high risk factor for obesity, physical inactivity, asthma, or other health issues.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in their 9/27/13 New CDC Vital Signs report found that 200,000 heart disease and stroke deaths could have been prevented.

The percentage of children aged 6-11 years in the United States who were obese increased from 7% in 1980 to nearly 18% in 2012. Similarly, the percentage of adolescents aged 12-19 years who were obese increased from 5% to nearly 21% over the same period.

In 2012, more than one third of children and adolescents were overweight or obese.

Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report September 16, 2011

Recommendations and Reports Vol 60 No 5

According to this report childhood obesity has both immediate and long-term effects on health and well-being. The immediate health effects:

- Obese youth are more likely to have risk factors for cardiovascular disease, such as
 high cholesterol or high blood pressure. In a population-based sample of 5- to 17-yearolds, 70% of obese youth had at least one risk factor for cardiovascular disease.
- Obese adolescents are more likely to have prediabetes, a condition in which blood glucose levels indicate a high risk for development of diabetes.
- Children and adolescents who are obese are at greater risk for bone and joint problems, sleep apnea, and social and psychological problems such as stigmatization and poor self-esteem.

Long-term health effects:

- Children and adolescents who are obese are likely to be obese as adults11-14 and are
 therefore more at risk for adult health problems such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes,
 stroke, several types of cancer, and osteoarthritis. One study showed that children who
 became obese as early as age 2 were more likely to be obese as adults.
- Overweight and obesity are associated with increased risk for many types of cancer, including cancer of the breast, colon, endometrium, esophagus, kidney, pancreas, gall bladder, thyroid, ovary, cervix, and prostate, as well as multiple myeloma and Hodgkin's lymphoma.

In the CDC report they identified 9 Guidelines for prevention of obesity and disease.

Prevention behaviors included:

- Healthy lifestyle habits, including healthy eating and physical activity, can lower the risk of becoming obese and developing related diseases.
- The dietary and physical activity behaviors of children and adolescents are influenced by many sectors of society, including families, communities, schools,

child care settings, medical care providers, faith-based institutions, government agencies, the media, and the food and beverage industries and entertainment industries.

In the report they say that *schools* play a particularly critical role by establishing a safe and supportive environment with policies and practices that support healthy behaviors. Schools also provide opportunities for students to learn about and practice healthy eating and physical activity behaviors.

Below is Guideline 4 of their report that emphasizes quality physical education:

Implement a comprehensive physical activity program with quality physical education as the cornerstone.

Children and adolescents should participate in 60 minutes of physical activity every day. A substantial percentage of students' physical activity can be provided through a comprehensive, school-based physical activity program that includes these components: physical education, recess, classroom-based physical activity, walk and bicycle to school, and out-of-school time activities.

Implementation of improved pedestrian and bicycle facilities proposed by the project will increase children walking and bicycling to and from school. Walking and bicycling will have a positive effect in improving the health of students and public health overall especially starting at a younger elementary school age.

6. BENEFIT TO DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES (0-10 points)

- A. I. Is the project located in a disadvantaged community? Y/N YES

 II. Does the project significantly benefit a disadvantaged community? Y/N YES
 - a. Which criteria does the project meet? (Answer all that apply)
 - Median household income for the community benefited by the project: \$29,167
 - California Communities Environmental Health Screen Tool (CalEnvironScreen) score for the community benefited by the project: top 10%

- For projects that benefit public school students, percentage of students eligible for the Free or Reduced Price Meals Programs: 87.04 %
- b. Should the community benefitting from the project be considered disadvantaged based on criteria not specified in the program guidelines? If so, provide data for all criteria above and a quantitative assessment of why the community should be considered disadvantaged.

N/A

B. Describe how the project demonstrates a clear benefit to a disadvantaged community and what percentage of the project funding will benefit that community, for projects using the school based criteria describe specifically the school students and community will benefit.

The project area is 100% within the disadvantaged community of Westmorland.

USE OF CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS (CCC) OR A CERTIFIED COMMUNITY CONSERVATION CORPS (0 to -5 points)

The applicant must send the following information to the CCC and CALCC prior to application submittal to Caltrans:

Project Description Project Map Detailed Estimate Preliminary Plan

Project Schedule

The corps agencies can be contacted at:

California Conservation Corps at: www.ccc.ca.gov

Community Conservation Corps at: http://calocalcorps.org

- A. The applicant has coordinated with the CCC to identify how a state conservation corps can be a partner of the project. Y/N YES
 - a. Name, e-mail, and phone # of the person contacted and the date the information was submitted to them

Project information was sent to Virginia Clark of CCC.

Telephone number: 916-341-3147

Email Address: VIRGINIACLARK@CCC.CA.GOV

- B. The applicant has coordinated with a representative from the California Association of Local Conservation Corps (CALCC) to identify how a certified community conservation corps can be a partner of the project. Y/N YES
 - a. Name, e-mail, and phone # of the person contacted and the date the information was submitted to them

Project information was sent to Paige Brokaw of CALCC.

Telephone number: 916-558-1516

Email Address: CALOCALCORPS@GMAIL.COM

C. The applicant intends to utilize the CCC or a certified community conservation corps on all items where participation is indicated? Y/N YES

I have coordinated with a representative of the CCC; and the following are project items that they are qualified to partner on:

- 1. Sidewalk construction
- 2. Curb/Gutter construction
- 3. Landscaping
- 4. Grading/surveying

Response from CCC is shown in Exhibit "F"

I have coordinated with a representative of the CALCC; and the following are project items that they are qualified to partner on:

- 1. Sidewalk construction
- 2. Curb/Gutter construction
- 3. Landscaping
- Grading/surveying Response from CALCC is shown in Exhibit "G"

Points will be deducted if an applicant does not seek corps participation or if an applicant intends not to utilize a corps in a project in which the corps can participate*.

- The applicant intends to partner with a conservation corps to the maximum extent possible-0 points
- The applicant did not seek partnership with a conservation corps, or indicated that they do not intend to partner with the corps to the maximum extent possible- (-)5 points

8. APPLICANT'S PERFORMANCE ON PAST GRANTS (0 to -10 points)

A. Describe any of your agency's ATP type grant failures during the past 5 years, and what changes your agency will take in order to deliver this project.

N/A

- The applicant has no past grant experience or has performed satisfactorily on past grants 0 points
- The applicant has not performed satisfactorily on past grants and/or has not adequately described how they will deliver this project (-)10 points

^{*}If the applicant has indicated intended use of the CCC or CALCC in the approved application, a copy of the agreement between the implementing agency and the CCC or CALCC must be provided by the implementing agency, and will be incorporated as part of the original application, prior to request for authorization of funds for construction.











EXHIBIT C

WESTMORLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT

355 South Center Street, Westmorland, CA. 92281 (760) 344-3457 Fax (760) 344-0963

INTER DEPARTMENT MEMO

TO

Honorable Councilmember, L. Ritchie

FROM

Chief F.R. Beltran

DATE

June 8, 2007

SUBJ

Traffic Accident Data

Mr. Ritchie.

As per your request, listed below are traffic accidents that have occurred within the last ten (10) years. The following list of accidents have been reported and investigated by the Westmorland Police Department personnel.

January 2007 to June 07

CITY OF S.R. 86 WITHIN THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND IS ALSO NAMED "MAIN STREET"

March 07,2007

Accident @ South Center Street / Baughman Road

March 17,2007 March 22,2007

Accident @ South "G" St / Third Street Accident @ 100 West Main Street (*)

January 2006 to December 2006

March 20, 2006

Accident @ 200 South Center Street .

April 27,2006 May 17,2006 Accident @ North Center Street / Seventh Street .
Accident @ South Center Street/ Main Street(**)

October 26,2006 Accident @ 100 South Center Street .

December 11,2006 Accident @ 100 South Center Street/ Main Street.

January 2005 to December 05

February 18,2005 May 24,2005 Accident @ 300 West Main Street

Accident 100 South Center Street / Main Street (*)

May 30, 2005 June 20,2005

May 24,2005

Accident 100 South Center Street / Main Street (*)
Accident 100 South Center Street / Main Street (*)

June 20,2005 Accident 200 West Main Street

July 26,2005 October 22,2005 December 27,2005

December 31,2005

Accident South Center Street / Baughman Road.

Accident 100 South Center Street/ Main Street 64)

Accident 300 West Main Street

Accident 100 South Center Street/ Main Street

January 2004 to December 2004

Accident @ 100 South Center Street. February 11,2004 Accident @ 200 West Main Street / "G" Street February 15,2004 May 22,2004 Accident @ 300 West Main Street (*) September 26,2004 Accident @ 400 West Main Street (*) Accident @ 200 West Main / "F" Street (%) October 23,2004 Accident @ 200 West Main Street / "F" Street (*) October 26,2004 Accident @100 South "G" Street November 16,2004 Accident @ 300 West Main Street (*) December 16,2004 Accident 100 West Main Street December 18,2005

January 2003 to December 03

Pebruary 12,2003 Accident @ 200 West Main Street Accident @ 100 South Center/ Main Street Accident @ 300 South Center Street / First Street Accident @ 100 West Main Street Accident @ 100 West Main Street Accident @ 100 East Main Street Accident @ 400 West Main / Martin Road

January 2002 to December 02

Accident @ 500 West Main Street Accident @ 500 West Main Street Accident @ South Center / Baughman Road

Accident @ South Center / Baughman Road

Accident @ South Center Street / First Street

Accident @ 200 West Main Street / "F" Street

Accident @ 100 West Main Street / "Accident @ 100 West Main Street / "Accident @ 400 West main Street / Martin Road / Martin Ro

January 2001 to December 2001

March 30,2001

Accident @ South Center / Baughman Road

Accident @ 100 North Center Street / Main Street

Accident @ 100 South Center Street / Main Street

Accident @ South Center Street / Baughman Road

EXHIBIT "C'

Time Period: 1-1-2011 to 12-31-2013

Total number of traffic accidents on S.R. 86 within the City of Westmorland: 50 accidents

4 pedestrian accidents were involved out of the 50 accidents

EXHIBIT "D"

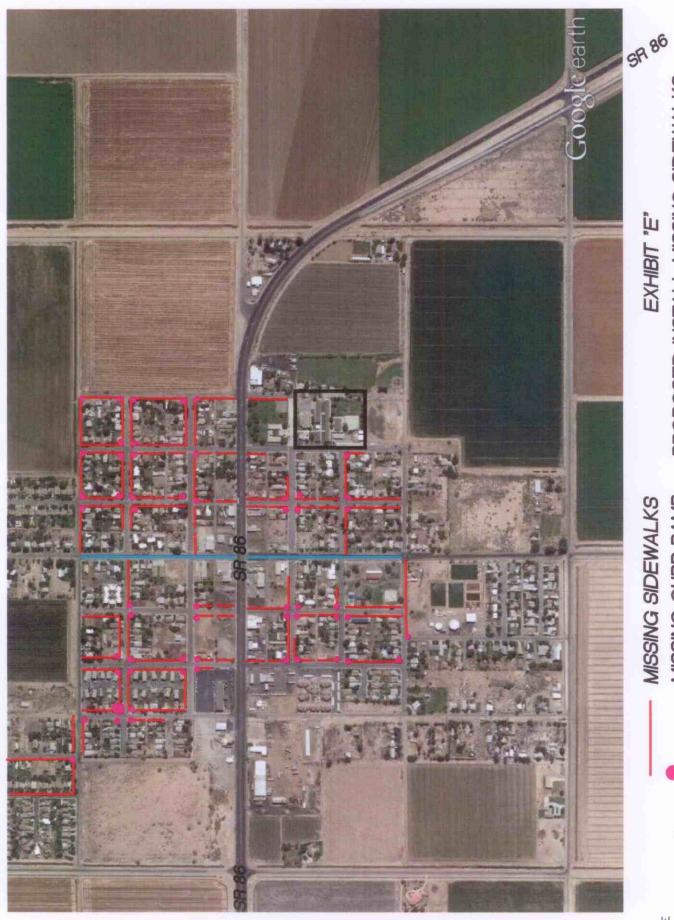




EXISTING HAZARDOUS TRUCK
TRAFFIC CONFLICT WITH STUDENTS
CROSSING S. CENTER STREET

LARGE, HEAVY TRUCKS CONGESTING CENTER STREET

CITY OF WESTMORLAND



MISSING SIDEWALKS MISSING CURB RAMP

EXHIBIT "E"

PROPOSED INSTALL MISSING SIDEWALKS AND CURB RAMPS

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FW: City of Westmorland - ATP Application

From: Clark, Virginia@CCC (Virginia.Clark@CCC.CA.GOV)

Sent: Thu 5/15/14 10:20 AM

To: sahl@msn.com (sahl@msn.com)

Cc: Kirsch, Steve@CCC (Steve.Kirsch@CCC.CA.GOV); calocalcorps@gmail.com

(calocalcorps@gmail.com); Rankin, Michelle@CCC (Michelle.Rankin@CCC.CA.GOV)

Hui,

The CCC will NOT be opting to participate in this ATP project.

Virginia Clark

Region Deputy, Region 1



California Conservation Corps

(916) 341-3147

fx(877) 834-4177

virginia.clark@ccc.ca.gov



PLEASE CONSIDER THE ENVIRONMENT BEFORE PRINTING THIS EMAIL

Visit our web site at www.ccc.ca.gov for more information about the California Conservation Corps

Re: City of Westmorland - ATP Application

From: Calcc Calcc (calocalcorps@gmail.com)

Sent: Sat 5/17/14 3:41 PM
To: Hui Lai (sahl@msn.com)

Cc: virginia.clark@ccc.ca.gov (virginia.clark@ccc.ca.gov)

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting CALCC. Unfortunately, no local corps will be able to participate on this project. This email should serve as confirmation that you have contacted the local corps and that they have declined to participate. Feel free to attach this email to your final application.

Thanks, Cynthia

Cynthia Vitale

Conservation Strategy Group

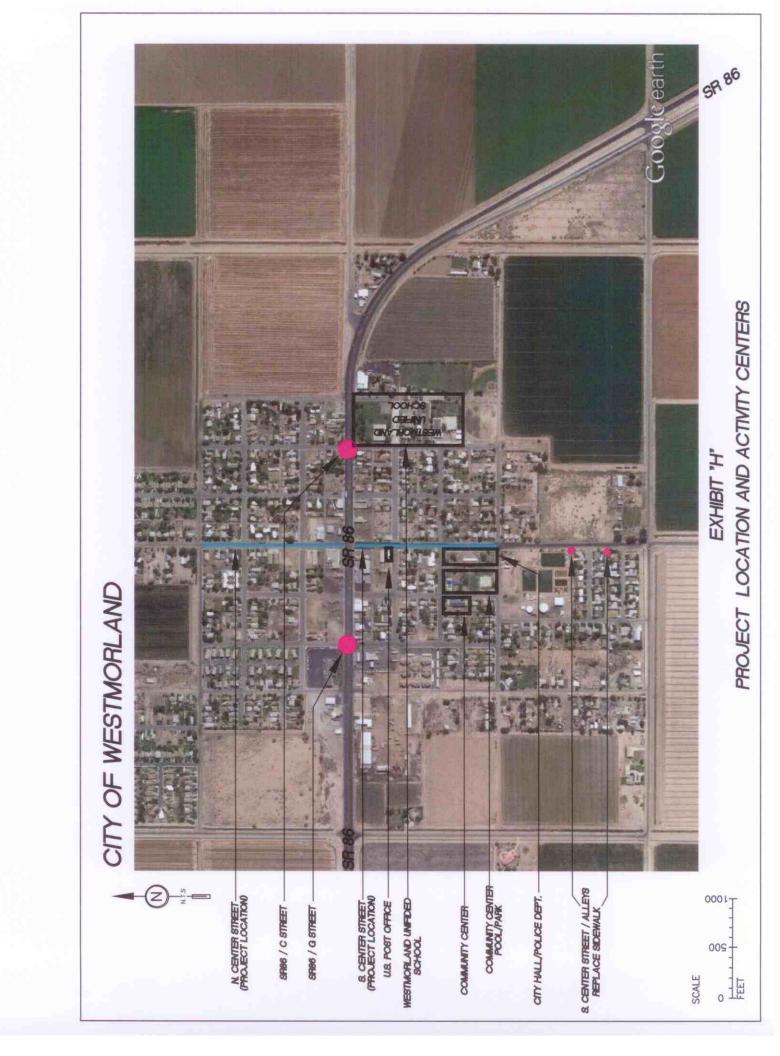
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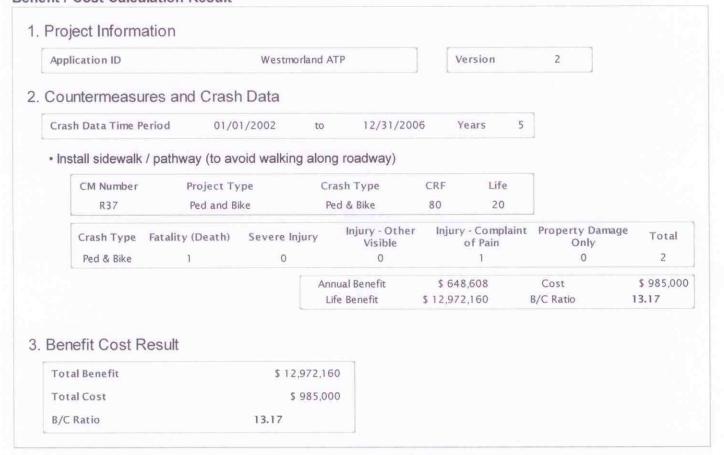
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On Wed, May 14, 2014 at 9:07 AM, Hui Lai < sahl@msn.com > wrote:



Benefit / Cost Calculation Result



Safety Practitioner / Engineer: Hui Lai

Signature:

By signing this B/C Calculation Result, you are attesting to your authority / responsibility at your local agency for this work and you are attesting to the accuracy of the values on this page and that they have been entered into the HSIP Application Form correctly, DO NOT SIGN if any of this is not the case.

EXHIBIT "I"

Benefit / Cost Calculation Result

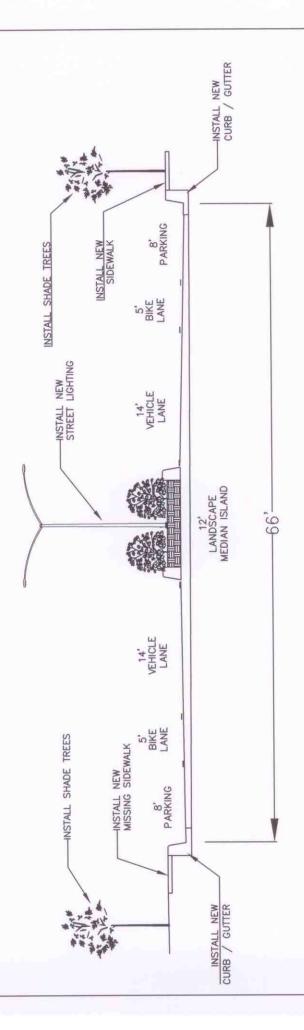
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			Life Benefit	\$ 12,	972,160	B/C Ratio	11.66
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EXHIBIT "I"



PROPOSED CROSS-SECTION
ON
N. CENTER STREET

EXHIBIT "K" COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY PARTICIPATION AND SAFETY EXPO

Public Safety Expo Outline

Advertising

- · Send Flyers to local Elementary Schools & Jr. High's
- · Fire, Police, & local Business's put up flyers
- Put Banner up on Main Street for residents to see
- · If the City has a newsletter put information a month or weeks before

Giveaways

- Free Helmets
- Bikes
- Car Seats- Infant and Booster Seat
- www.positivepromotions.com- They have coloring books, crayons lots of different stuff to purchase to do a giveaway for kids on safety.
- Most of the different Organizations and businesses bring there own free giveaways for the kids.

In order for the kids to win a free helmet they should go thru a safety course and at the end of the safety course they get their free helmet and a ticket for the raffle for the free bike.

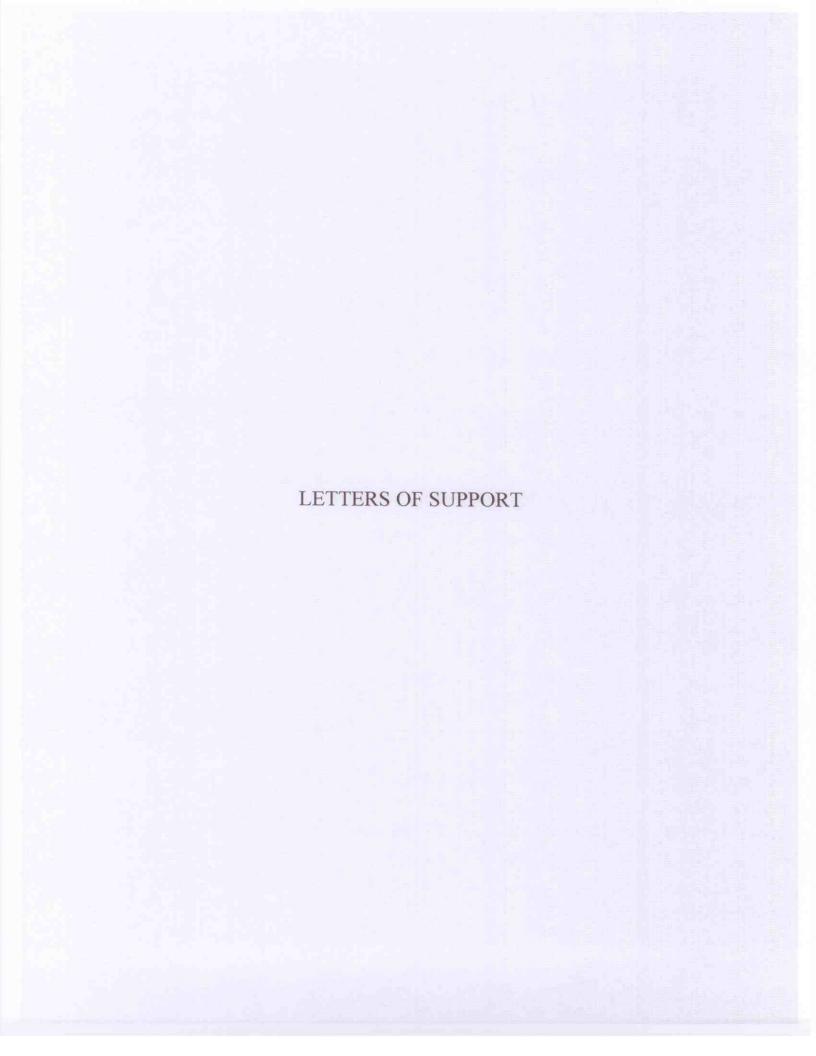
For the Car Seat giveaway there are a few ways to go around it. You can have residents come to City Hall or Police Station to feel out an application for low income families who qualify, and then if they qualify they have to go thru a car seat installation course and the car seat gets installed by a certified instructor at the end of the course. This could be a different day than the safety expo.

Another way is put on the flyers first come first serve basis to the first families to come to the expo with their child and must bring a vehicle to have a certified instructor install the correct car seat into their vehicle. You don't have to be low income just in need of a car seat.

Booths/Exhibitors

- Highway Patrol
- American Red Cross
- Ambulance Service
- · Fire
- Police All Departments (Example, Narcotics, Bomb Squad, Mounted Police, K9 etc.)
- All Police, Fire and Ambulance Helicopters
- Non Profit Organizations (Example) Su Casa,
- Emergency Preparedness
- Yogi Bear Shake House (Earthquake Preparedness)





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California State Senate

SENATOR
BEN HUESO
FORTIETH SENATE DISTRICT

May 14, 2014



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Ms. Teresa Williams Caltrans Division of Local Assistance 1120 N Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Ms. Teresa Williams,

As State Senator for the County of Imperial, I am pleased to support the City of Westmorland in their efforts to secure funding under the Active Transportation Program (ATP). Funds from this program will allow for infrastructure improvements that will encourage students to walk and/or ride bicycles to school, increase children's awareness of road safety and promote physical activity.

The City of Westmorland intends to apply this funding to construction of physical improvements that include gap closures and other walkway amenities. In fact, the walkway amenities constitute a key element of the City's overall plan to provide safe transportation infrastructure that is designed to benefit the entire community while also guaranteeing safe passage to school. The City's goal is to reduce the number of road accidents, particularly those that involve school children as well as reduce vehicle speed and parking in school zones.

With high volumes of traffic, pedestrian improvements are critically needed; this grant will greatly improve the safety and well-being of students traveling to and from school. As a member of the Senate Education Committee and Senate Transportation Committee, I thank you in advance for your consideration. Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact my Imperial Valley office at (760) 335-3442.

Sincerely,

BEN HUESO

State Senator, 40th District

BH/jc

Westmorland Union Elementary School District

200 SOUTH "C" STREET · POST OFFICE BOX 88 WESTMORLAND, CALIFORNIA 92281 PHONE (760) 344-4364 FAX (760) 344-7294

Superintendent/Principal NANCY JOHNSON Asst. Superintendent of Business MONA SMITH

Board of Education ELIZABETH MORENO THOMAS MARQUEZ JACKIE LOPER RONALD DAVIS M.B. CORKY WYCUFF

May 13, 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

Subject: Support for Westmorland's Active Transportation (ATP) Application

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This project is essential to our community. The District has been actively working with the Westmorland Police Department to promote safety in our neighborhoods. The ATP grant would allow the City to complete the sidewalks and make upgrades that will greatly benefit our school children, as well as all the families in the neighborhood.

It is with great pleasure and anticipation that Westmorland Union Elementary School District endorses this application and lends its support. Enhancements made possible through these funds would also assist the Westmorland Police Department in enforcement efforts with regard to child safety while walking to and from our schools.

Sincerety,

Ms. Nancy Johnson Superintendent



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May 18, 2014

Caltrans
Division of Local Assistance
Office of Active Transportation & Special Provisions
PO BOX 942874
Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

To Whom It May Concern:

As Director of Development Services, I wish to add my enthusiastic support to our application for funding assistance to implement the Active Transportation Program (ATP) for the City of Westmorland. This application is whole-heartedly supported by our Police Chief and by the Westmorland Union Elementary School District that has jurisdiction in the City of Westmorland. Each of these organizations has dedicated specific interests in the objectives of pedestrian and bicycle safety program of the City of Westmorland. The purpose of this letter is to emphasize the City's commitment to implement the proposed project. It is anticipated that the project will enhance public safety for pedestrians, bicyclists and for the motoring public, as well as protect public properties. The outcome of this effort will be that the City will save lives and minimize untold injury sufferings. The City remains steadfast in its commitment to promote and enhance the safe passage of children and bicyclist to and from schools. This commitment requires the continual effort of City personnel to seek ways to make the all the traveled roadways of the City safe for motorists and for pedestrians and bicyclists alike. Caltrans' approval of this Active Transportation Program application would enable the City to fully complete its pedestrian and bicycle safety program. It is our commitment that public safety is foremost in all services that are provided for the City of Westmorland.

Sincerely,

C. Hui Lai, P.E.

Director of Development Services



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May 13, 2014

To: Caltrans

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Very truly yours,

Fred Beltran Police Chief

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DISTRICT 11 4050 TAYLOR STREET SAN DIEGO, CA 92110 PHONE (619) 688-3142 FAX (619) 688-2575 TTY 711 www.dot.ca.gov



May 15, 2014

Mr. Wayne Walker Deputy Director Development Services City of Westmorland 355 South Center Street Westmorland, CA 92281

Dear Mr. Walker:

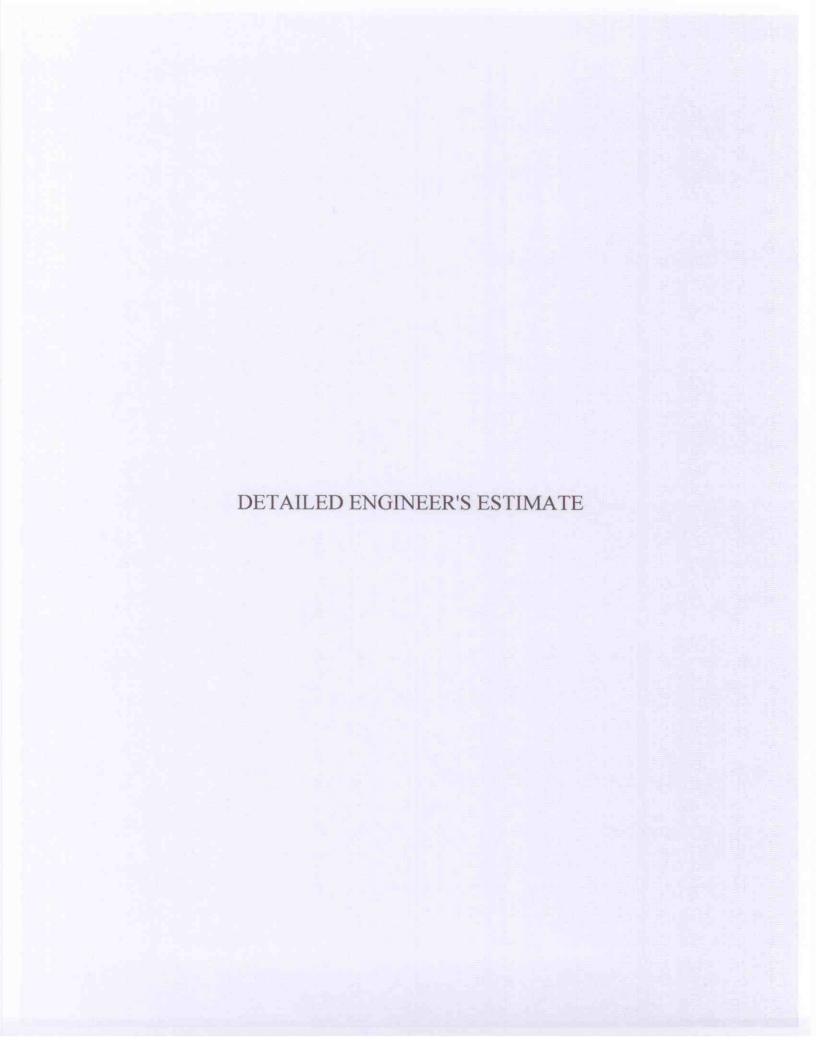
The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) acknowledges the City of Westmorland's project to install in-road warning lights at crosswalks at potentially two locations within Caltrans right of way.

These locations would still need to meet the criteria and warrants in the Traffic Operations Policy Directive 12-03 "Crosswalk Enhancements Policy", the California MUTCD, and the Highway Design Manual.

Caltrans looks forward to working with the City of Westmorland to implement this project, should the California Transportation Committee approve an award of Active Transportation Program funds.

Sincerely,

JOE HULL District Division Chief of Traffic Operations, Caltrans



Detailed Engineer's Estimate For Construction Items Only

Agency: City of Westmorland

Project Name: Improve Center Street Pedestrian Facility

Project Location: Center Street, between Baughman Road and 7th Street and various

spot locations of missing sidewalk

Date of Estimate: 5/16/2014

Prepared By: C. Hui Lai, Director of Development Services

Item No.	Description	Quantity	Units	Cost/Item	Total	
1.	Curb/Gutter	1,720	LF	\$22	\$37,840	
2.	Sidewalk	8,100	LF	\$23	\$186,300	
3.	Handicapped Ramp	48	EA	\$1,800	\$86,400	
4.	Driveway	14	EA	\$1800	\$25,200	
5.	Landscaped Median & Shade Trees	3,440	LF	\$50	\$172,600	
6.	Street Light	32	EA	\$6,000	\$192,000	
7.	In-Roadway Lighted Crosswalk	2	EA	\$35,000	\$70,000	
8.	Adjust alley grade	2	EA	\$15,000	\$30,000	
9.	Bike lanes/signage	1	EA	\$10,000	\$10,000	
10.	Construction Traffic Control	1	LS	\$20,000	\$20,000	
Subtotal						
Contingency (10%)						
Construction Total						
Project Evaluation After Construction (Non-reimbursable item)						